

## **NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION (FOR CLASS X)**

**SCHEME DETAILS:** The main purpose of this scheme is to identify talented students in Class X and to give them financial assistance towards getting the best possible education, So that talent may develop and they may serve the country well.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any regular student of 10<sup>th</sup> Standard (State/CBSE/ICSE syllabus) shall be eligible to appear in the National Talent Search Examination.

**Eligibility marks to apply: 55% for General and 45% for SC/ST Candidates, in 9<sup>th</sup> Standard Annual Examination.**

This Examination is conducted at Two phases,

1. First phase (State Level)
2. Second phase (National Level)

**FIRST PHASE (State Level):** The Department of State Educational Research and Training (DSERT) shall hold the State Level(First Phase) Examination every year usually in the month of November in all the Educational blocks (taluks) all over the States.

**First Level Examination consists of Two Papers.**

- (A) GENERAL MENTAL ABILITY TEST (GMAT):** This paper consists of items on reasoning, analysis and synthesis / pictorial, numerical, descriptive etc. Total 90 Questions.
- (B) SCHOLASTIC ATTITUDE TEST: (S.A.T)** consists of 90 questions. Out of which 35 questions will be in Social Science which includes History, Geography, Civics and Economics , 35 questions in General Science including Physics, Chemistry and Biology. 20 questions from Mathematics. All the 8 subjects are compulsory.
- (C) Syllabus For NTSE Examination:** There is no fixed Syllabus. The Questions will be to the level of 10<sup>th</sup> Standard. It includes State Govt/ICSE/CBSE 10<sup>th</sup> Standard syllabus and text books.

**SECOND PHASE (NATIONAL LEVEL):** This examination will be conducted by NCERT New Delhi in May every year in Bangalore for those who qualify in first phase (state level)on the basis of written test. It will be notified by NCERT in all the leading News Papers.

1. Examination fee structure will be announced every year. Applications are available in all taluk Block Education Offices and in DSERT Website (dsert.kar.nic.in) Usually in the month of July/August every year. The filled in application form has to be submit to the concerned exam Centre Superintendent (BEO) within last date and should not be sent to DSERT Directly.
2. There is no Provision to Change the Examination Centre.
3. The application of ineligible Candidates shall be cancelled at any stage.
4. Chief Superintendent of the examination centre should give proper acknowledgement to the candidates for having received the application form.

The Admission Card indicating the Register Number, Place of Examination Centre, and other details will be issued by the Examination chief Superintendent, One week before Examination.

### **Special Encouragement by Government of Karnataka**

The candidates who are selected at the State level but not at the National level will be awarded a scholarship of Rs.2000 per year, for two years from Karnataka State Student Welfare Fund.(Depending on the availability of funds only)

### **CONTINUANCE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Continuance of Scholarship shall be subject to the maintenance of such academic excellence as may be prescribed by the NCERT from time to time. The amount of scholarship and rules are subject to change which will be binding on awardees.

The award of scholarship shall further be governed by the following conditions and also by those guidelines laid down by the NCERT from time to time.

1. An Awardees will not be considered for scholarship if he/she fails in subsequent Examination or any subsequent class or discontinues the studies.
2. Scholarship shall be paid through the institution where the awardees is studying.
3. The scholarship does not restrict the receipt of other scholarships.

### **Special Reservation for Physically challenged students:**

From the year 2007-08, 3% seats are reserved for physically challenged group children, 1% for Visual impaired, 1% for Hearing impaired and 1% for other disabilities.

The medical certificate in the prescribed format issued in their favour signed by the specialists of the concerned ability. The medical certificate should be countersigned by the District Surgeon concerned. The level of disability should be 40% or more than that.

## **NATIONAL MEANS-CUM-MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME (NMMS):**

The scheme proposed by the MHRD is to award scholarship to meritorious students of VIII<sup>th</sup> standard belonging to economically weaker sections to arrest their drop outs and to encourage them to continue their studies till class XII.

This examination is conducted in one phase i.e., at the state level. The Department of State Education Research and Training will (DSERT) conduct written examination at state level.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Students of Govt., Local body and Govt Aided Private School students are eligible to appear for the examination.(Students of Kendreeya Vidyalaya, Navodaya and any other residential Schools run by Central or State Govt are not eligible)

- Parental income should not exceed Rs.1,50,000/- per annum.
- Candidates must secure 55% marks in class 7<sup>th</sup> annual examination.
- 5% relaxation is given to SC,ST and disabled students.

**This examination consists of two tests.**

### **A) General Mental Ability Test (GMAT):**

This paper is confined to GMAT consisting of 90 compulsory multiple choice objective questions for 90 marks. This paper consists of items of questions on reasoning, analysis & synthesis, figurative, numerical, descriptive etc.

**B) Scholastic Ability Test(SAT):** Consists of 90 multiple choice objective type questions out of which 35 questions from General Science , 35 questions from Social Science and 20 questions from Mathematics.

Applications are available in all the BEOs Office. **Application are also available at DSERT WEB SITE. <http://dsert.kar.nic.in>.** Usually in the month of July/August every year. There is no application or Examination fee for all category students. The filled in application form has to be sent to the concerned centre superintendent(BEO) for the examination and **should not be sent to DSERT directly.**

The admission card indicating the Reg. No, place of examination centre, time and other details will be issued from the Exam Chief Superintendent one week before the Examination date.

The candidates who are selected based on the district quota, category and the marks scored in the Examination will be awarded a scholarship of Rs.500/-p.m from 9<sup>th</sup> std. To 2<sup>nd</sup> P.U.C. for a span of four years.

### **Continuance of the scholarship:**

The continuation of awarded Scholarship by the MHRD will be the maintenance of academic excellence as may be prescribed the conditions shown below.

- The awardees should get minimum 55% marks in class IX,XI,XII and 60% in class X.
- 5% relaxation will be given to reserved category SC/ST and disabled candidates.
- Selected Students must open Bank Account in their Name in State Bank of India and provide Bank details to Block Education Office. The scholarship will be remitted to the students bank account directly from SBI, New Delhi through NEFT.

### **Special Reservation for Physically challenged students:**

3% seats are reserved for physically challenged group children, 1% for Hearing impaired, 1% for Visually Impaired and 1% for other disabilities.